

The Commonwealth.

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DEMOCRATIC JUDGES NOMINATED.

Following is a list of the Judges for Superior Court nominated in their respective districts and ratified by the State Democratic Convention:

First district—Geo. H. Brown, Jr. of Beaufort.
Second district—Henry R. Bryan, of Craven.
Fifth district—Thos. J. Shaw of Guilford.
Sixth district—Oliver H. Allen, of Lenoir.
Seventh district—Thos. A. McNeill, of Robeson.
Eleventh district—William A. Hoke, of Lincoln.
For Solicitor of Second District—W. E. Daniel, of Weldon.

SCOTLAND NECK POST-OFFICE.

At last the evil day has come to our community. Scotland Neck now has a negro postmaster.

THE COMMONWEALTH has only to repeat what it has said for months and months, that it is the result of foolish disruption amongst the white people of the country.

The colored man is not to blame, except that the whole race has been in too big a hurry for place and position before they have made accumulations in property and education which merit such position.

We bide our chance to redeem the State and nation at the ballot box, which the white race ought to do, and we believe they will do it.

HON. W. W. KITCHIN.

THE COMMONWEALTH is justly proud of the career of Hon. W. W. Kitchin. Only a few years ago he was associated with the writer in the editing and management of this paper. Scotland Neck and all Eastern Carolina feel special interest in him and his work.

The Oxford Ledger reports the following of him:

"Hon. W. W. Kitchin was renominated for Congress by the fifth congressional district Democratic convention here to-day. The convention was called to order at 1 o'clock this afternoon by Hon. John N. Wilson, chairman, of this city. On motion he was made chairman of the temporary organization, with Mr. Hiram Beard, of Leaksville, secretary. After the necessary committees were appointed there was an adjournment of an hour and a half.

When the convention came to order at 2:30 the committee on credentials reported that all the counties in the district were represented and there were no contests.

The temporary organization was made permanent. Mr. Wilson thanked the convention and took occasion to congratulate the Democrats of the district on having such an able Representative in Congress the past two years. He also stated to the convention that Mr. Kitchin was detained at home by serious illness (threatened fever) and expressed the general regret that the standard bearer was not present to look into the faces and grasp the hands of his faithful friends.

The committee on platform and resolutions reported as follows:
"Resolved, first, That we reaffirm our allegiance to the principles of the national Democratic platform adopted at Chicago in 1896, and we also endorse the platform of the recent Democratic State convention.

"Second, That, we heartily endorse the course of our Representative in Congress, Hon. W. W. Kitchin.

"Third, That, we invite all patriotic white men of this district, without regard to former party affiliations, to unite with us in behalf of the principles set out in our State and national platform."

Adopted by a rising vote.

Col. James W. Forbis placed in nomination for Congress the name of Hon. W. W. Kitchin. Excellent seconding speeches were made by Mr. J. Crawford Biggs, of Granville, and Mr. W. W. King, of Stokes. By a rising vote the nomination was made unanimous amid much enthusiasm.

Remarkable Rescue.

Mrs. Michael Curtin, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her daughter suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from first dose. She continued its use and after taking six bottles, found herself sound and well, now does her own housework and is as well as ever was.—Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at E. T. Whitehead & Co.'s Drug Store, large bottles 50 cents and \$1.00.

SCOTLAND NECK GOES FORWARD.

To-day the voice of the auctioneer will be heard on our new tobacco market for the first time. Scotland Neck today takes a step forward which, if properly followed up by wise and vigorous effort on the part of townspeople and country people alike, will mean much to this community in matters financial. For several years the farmers of this community have been hauling their tobacco products to other towns; to-day at their own doors they find a sale for their tobacco. Warehousemen, buyers and planters have been looking forward to this day as an auspicious opening of a new tobacco market which proposes to do for the farmers as much as any market in the country.

The business men of Scotland Neck and others have, in this year of financial straits, scraped together money enough to open a first class tobacco market. This has been done really at a sacrifice on the part of some, and now the opening day has come all feel a keen interest in the event. THE COMMONWEALTH has told it to more than five thousand people, and has told it more than once. The warehousemen have advertised it in several counties; and now we all welcome those who have brought in their tobacco to help make possible a good and encouraging opening day.

THE COMMONWEALTH says, "Welcome All." We are ready to do what we can for the pleasure and profit of all concerned, both planters and buyers.

We trust that prosperity and good may result from this new stride in progress which to-day marks a new era in the business and industrial life of Scotland Neck.

FITTING ENDORSEMENT.

The Democrats of the Fifth District have renominated Mr. W. W. Kitchin for Congress. This is a fitting endorsement of a young man of such marked ability and such brilliant record for his first term in the National Congress.

He has made a good and faithful representative, and is one of the purest men in that great representative body. He will give his opponent a lively run, and the Democratic party the State over will be anxious for his reelection.

OF INTEREST TO NORTH CAROLINIANS.

The most beautiful book of the year is "The First Fallen Hero," which has just been published by Mr. Sam W. Bowman, of Norfolk, Va. It is the story of the life of Ensign Worth Bagley, the first American officer to die in the Spanish-American war. He was a native of Raleigh, North Carolina, and for more than a hundred years his ancestors have lived in North Carolina. His glory is a part of the history of the state of his birth. The sketch of his life was written by Mr. Josephus Daniels, editor of the Raleigh News & Observer, who married Ensign Bagley's oldest sister. He had access to every fact that could throw light upon the character of the young hero. The sketch is written by a loving hand and the book contains many tributes from North and South. It is handsomely illustrated, containing eleven full page engravings, one page showing the hero from one year to twenty-one, others showing groups with foot-ball and base-ball teams,—he was a "star" athlete. The frontispiece is an elegant engraving from a photograph taken at Key West a month before the fatal day at Cardenas.

The book is on sale by agents in all cities, or will be sent to any address on receipt of 25 cents. Address Sam W. Bowman, Publisher, Norfolk, Va.

SHOES OFF IN THE CARS.

The Kinston Free Press recently told how some colored politicians going to attend the State Republican convention at Raleigh, were very much wanting in politeness. Riding in the first-class car over the A. & N. railroad they pulled off their shoes and put their feet on top of the seats. The conductor was appealed to, but with no effect.

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HARNETT WOMEN SPARTAN-LIKE.

The editor of THE COMMONWEALTH is keenly alive to any interest that touches Harnett county. Our birth place was near the banks of the old Cape Fear river in Harnett, and we regard everything that makes for that county's welfare as concerning us. We print with a sort of old home pride the following from a recent issue of the News & Observer:

"The good women of Harnett county, with their own hands, have made a handsome banner which they will present to the township in the county in which the largest percentage of the white vote is cast for the party of the white man. This is a good sign and ought to stimulate patriotic women in all sections of the State to emulation. "The women in 1876 contributed, in perfectly proper and legitimate ways, to elect Vance because they recognized then that it was a question of civilization rather than of politics that confronted the State. They were working for the protection of their daughters. The same evils that caused them then to encourage true men to battle for Anglo-Saxon supremacy impel them again to beg their white brothers and neighbors to bury minor differences, and to make it once again safe for an unprotected woman to visit her neighbor without fear of molestation. The records show that it has not been safe since the advent of Republican rule. We have had a saturation of insults and assaults which have converted women's lives into fear. The true men of the State will relieve their fears by restoring the white man's party to power."

MR. SIMMONS' BOOK.

Mr. E. S. Simmons, of Washington, N. C., has published a book entitled "A Solution of the Race Problem in the South."

We have received a copy of the book which we commend to the public generally. It is worth reading and its suggestions are well worth study by the men who manage affairs in the South.

The author, in a spirit of fairness, reviews the great problem of the South. After pointing out the many disadvantages which result to both races from the present state of affairs, and the well nigh incalculable calamities which must befall our country unless the negro is disposed of, he arrives at the conclusion that colonization within the United States is the only just solution that can be reached.

Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana, he says, are the most suitable States for the proposed colonies on account both of their warm climate, and large negro population. Separated from his more intelligent white brother, Mr. Simmons believes that the negro, having every avenue of success in business and political life open to him, would make very rapid progress toward enlightenment. No country away from the United States would answer the purpose, as there the negro, removed from the influence of our civilization would relapse into barbarism.

The intelligent manner in which Mr. Simmons has handled his subject will cause our people to think, and let us hope, to act.

The Washington Post, speaking of the "Race Problem," says:

"Mr. Simmons, who is totally blind, is a prominent lawyer in North Carolina. He believes that the race problem in the South may be solved by separating the two races and colonizing the negro in the southern part of the United States. There is no evidence of a disposition to do the negro an injustice; on the contrary, Mr. Simmons is entirely equitable and just, but he firmly believes that to expect the two races so materially differing from each other, as does the negro and the Caucasian, to live together on the same soil in peace and harmony, would be in violation of all natural laws, and, therefore, impossible.

Assuming colonization to be the only solution of this intricate and perplexing question, he undertakes to prove its practicability and the danger sure to come to posterity if neglected."

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WAR NEWS.

What Has Transpired on Cuban Soil Within a Week.

PONCE SURRENDERS AND PEACE ACCEPTED.

Last Wednesday the city of Ponce, Porto Rico, surrendered to Commander Dayis, of the Dixie. Besides his own ship, Davis was accompanied by the Wasp and the Gloucester. The city made no resistance, but surrendered to avoid a bombardment. In the terms of surrender, the civil authorities were retained in office, and the Spanish garrison allowed to retire.

When Gen. Miles arrived Thursday morning he found everything ready for landing. Ernest's brigade occupied the city. On taking possession of the city, Miles issued the following proclamation to the people of Ponce and to the Porto Ricans generally:

"In the prosecution of the war against the Kingdom of Spain by the people of the United States, in the cause of liberty, justice and humanity, its military forces have come to occupy the island of Porto Rico. They come bearing banners of freedom, inspired by the noble purpose to seek the enemies of our government and of yours, to destroy or capture all in armed resistance.

"They bring you the fostering arms of a free people, whose greatest power is justice and humanity to all living within their fold. Hence they release you from your former political relations and, it is hoped for a cheerful acceptance of the government of the United States.

"The chief object of American military forces will be to overthrow the armed authority of Spain and give the people of your beautiful island the largest measure of liberty consistent with the military occupation.

"They have not come to make war on the people of the country, who for centuries have been oppressed. But, on the contrary, they bring protection, not only to yourselves, but to your property, promote your prosperity and bestow the immunities and blessings of our enlightened and liberal institutions and government.

"It is not their purpose to interfere with existing laws and customs which are wholesome and beneficial to the people, so long as they conform to the rule of military administration, order and justice.

This is not a war of devastation and desolation, but one to give all within the control of military and naval forces the advantages and blessings of enlightened civilization."

The Porto Ricans seem glad to come under the protection of the "Stars and stripes". They were wild with enthusiasm when the Americans entered their city. Even women and children manifested their joy by the most lively demonstrations.

REPLY TO SPAIN.

The President has handed his reply to Spain's proposal for peace negotiations to M. Cambon, the French Ambassador. In substance, the terms to be granted Spain are as follows:

"Withdrawal of all her troops from the Western Hemisphere. Manila with the surrounding country and the Ladrones to be left to the future disposition of the United States."

It is thought that Spain will not accede to these terms, as by them she would lose her most important colonies.

PEACE TERMS ACCEPTED.

A special cable from Madrid to the New York Evening Journal August 2nd said:

"Spain accepts the principal conditions of peace as set forth by the American Government, and only the peace details are needed to cause all hostilities to cease at once.

"A peace delegation will be chosen at once to confer with the representatives of the United States. The peace conditions set forth by President McKinley were discussed at length to-day by Minister Sagasta, and at the conclusion it was given out officially that the terms of the United States would be accepted. There are one or two amendments in the proposition of the United States that Spain will ask to be made, and if this is done peace will be declared at once."

ENFIELD JOTTINGS.

(Correspondence to THE COMMONWEALTH.)

ENFIELD, N. C., Aug. 1, 1898.

Tobacco market opened to-day and it brought good prices.

Mr. Geo. Boyd has returned.

Mr. Boothe has returned.

Mr. Lewis, of Milton, is here buying tobacco.

Mr. G. B. Curtis will have another prize house built.

Messrs. Randolph Bros. have bought the old Burnett hotel property and will improve it.

Mr. John Pittman, of Louisiana, is here on a visit to his parents and says they have fine crops out there.

The Masons had a big dinner last week at Spring Hill.

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GAY ENTERTAINMENT AT WHITAKERS.

(Correspondence to THE COMMONWEALTH.)

WHITAKERS, N. C., Aug. 1, 1898.

Mrs. Mary Hicks returned Friday from quite an extended trip to Smithfield, Clayton and Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Lindsay stopped over here Saturday en route from Baltimore where Mrs. Lindsay has been for treatment. They left Sunday for their home in Clayton.

On Friday night at the residence of Mr. J. M. Cutchin a very enjoyable sociable was given by Miss Annie Land and Miss Ida Cutchin complimentary to their guests, Misses Cleo and Ida Batchelor of Nashville. Misses Land, Cutchin and Batchelor stood near the parlor door and gracefully received and entertained the guests. At 10:30 they were invited in the dining room where dainty refreshments were served. All report a most delightful time, and much credit is due the young ladies in charge for the faultless manner in which everything passed off.

On Thursday afternoon Dr. Braswell's horse hitched to a dray filled with furniture, became frightened and ran away. Some of the furniture was broken, no other damage.

Baby Mine!



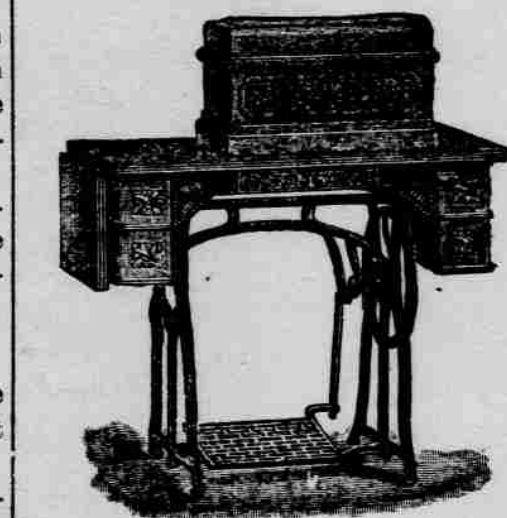
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